

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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Indications are That This Will Be the Greatest Assembly in the History of the Church

District Convention a Great Success

All Churches Well Represented And God Reveals Himself

ELIZABETHTON, Tenn. — The Johnson City Convention convened here July 1—13th with Brother M. W. Letsinger, State Overseer, in charge. Brother Letsinger opened the meeting by reading the sixty-seventh Psalm; speaking of how that we hoped to be more consecrated to Him. He brought many encouraging thoughts after which Brother Pitchard of Pineola, N. C. brought the message choosing for his text Rom. 5:5. He spoke of how the Holy Ghost would give us boldness when He came. He told how Peter after he received the Holy Ghost had real boldness and was more able to stand for the right thing. He gave many striking examples of this great experience and the advantage, joy, peace, and satisfaction of having same; after which Brother Letsinger gave a few remarks and brought the service to a close with everybody encouraged.

We met Saturday morning at 11 o'clock singing the good songs of Zion, after which Sister Mary Quintan, of Johnson City, brought the message using for her text Matt. 4:1; telling us how the Holy Ghost would help us to overcome the world and help us to resist the things that we would otherwise indulge in. The message was given out with the power of the Lord and many enjoyed the great holy presence of Him with us.

At 8:00 P. M. we gathered back for worship and found many people already enjoying the blessings from the Lord—they were shouting, dancing, and talking in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance; then after singing Brother Letsinger brought the message choosing for his text Rev. 2:7. This was on the seven churches of Asia, and the Lord blessed him good in the giving out of the Word. He explained the different ages of the Church that we had gone through, and the whole congregation was pleased and delighted with the way in which the Lord manifested Himself among us. The service was brought to a close with prayer and the presence of the Lord upon us.

Sunday morning the people began to come from the country, Johnson City, Bristol, and other places to worship the Lord in spite of the rain that was falling. The Lord was with us from the very start; blessing in the prayers, songs, testimonies, and all the saints seemed to be at their zenith for the Lord. Brother Letsinger preached the dedicational sermon using for his text 2 Cor. 2:1, and other Scriptures in connection with this; telling us many good things that made our souls rejoice in the Lord. After the sermon we were asked to stand with uplifted hands and present the house to the Lord and His cause, and the Lord surely

19 Receives Spirit 13 added to Church

POINT, Tex. — We are on the firing line here in the great state of Texas for the Lord and the Church of God. We have just closed a sixteen-night's meeting at Danes Chappel, near Small, Texas, with wonderful success. This was a new field for the Church of God, but the Lord gave the victory.

There were 19 filled with the Holy Ghost, 13 added to the Church of God, and there were many who were saved and sanctified of whom we lost the account. We made many friends in this new field, and expect to establish a church here soon.

We are now at Trinity, Texas in a meeting with the interest good.—T. M. McClendon and wife.

Prayer, Faith and True Obedience

The Way to Have Faith
is to Keep His Commandments

Pearl Attey

Did you ever think of what it takes to get to heaven? I have found in my experience that it takes, prayer, faith, and obedience. I find if I pray and am not obedient it profiteth me nothing, and if I don't have faith I can't please God; for we read in the blessed Word of God in Heb. 11:6 that without faith it is impossible to please God.

If we have faith we can bear the cross and stand the test, we may not shout so loud while we are standing the test, but thank God we will have the victory.

The way to have faith is to keep His commandments, and some way God will just give us faith.

When I first got in this good way of holiness I begin to trust God for the healing of my body as well as for the healing of my soul. I did not understand much about healing at that time but I thought in my heart, if God can give me the good Holy Ghost, He can heal my body.

I said in my heart, live or die I will trust the Lord, so since eight years ago I have been trusting the Lord. Until that time I was not able to do my work half the time, but thank God through faith in Him I can say that I am able to do my

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must have accepted it for the saints shouted, danced, talked in other tongues, and felt the divine presence of the Lord with us. Well, praise the dear Lord for all that He is to us!

All the churches were well represented and the Lord manifested Himself with us in a wonderful way all through the meeting, and the good accomplished during this meeting will long live on; revealing the reality of salvation to the people of this place and reaping the fruits thereof out in eternity. After the last service the saints told one another good bye and parted with the hope of meeting again on the other shore.—I. H. Brabson, District Pastor.

HORRORS OF HELL--- THERE IS NO REST FOR THOSE THERE

Not a Breath of purity; Shade of Refinement nor
Spark of Delicacy, But a Level Revolting
Wreck of the Obscene and Foul

Nannie Ruth Hagewood

We find in these last days much literature being circulated which is trying to do away with hell and eternal punishment for the wicked. I have felt many times like we as children of God are saying too little about the reality of hell—not much preaching about it; not much talking about it; not many tracts being published about it. In fact it is an altogether unpleasant subject; and human nature is naturally fond of talking and thinking of pleasant things.

For instance, the love of God; the joy of salvation; the eternal bliss and pleasure of that beautiful city (heaven) are the most thought of and considered in these days. But there should be contrasted along with these the deceitfulness and craftiness of the devil; the miseries, tortures and ETERNAL punishment of HELL. Hence we send forth this little tract to warn and bring to the memory of those in danger, the great mistake of forgetting it—the reality of Hell.

As the happiness of heaven is expressed in Scripture under the idea of a feast or wedding, at which time there is a great deal of light, joy and pleasure; so is hell in the New Testament set forth by such representatives as may powerfully instruct and terrify even the most common man. Nothing is more intolerably painful than suffering the violence of fire enraged with brimstone. Hell is the place of the wicked dead, or the souls after death; the abode of evil spirits; place of disembodied spirits which Christ visited after death; (Luke 23:43; Acts 2:31; and 1 Peter 3:19.) The place of future punishment; and destruction from the presence of God. (2 Thes. 1:9.)

Hell is described as: Everlasting punishment; (Matt. 25:46.) Everlasting fire; (Matt. 25:41.) Everlasting burnings; (Isa. 33:14.) A furnace of fire; (Matt. 13:42-50.) A lake of fire; (Rev. 20:15.) Fire and brimstone; (Rev. 14:10; 19:20; 21:8.) Unquenchable fire; (Matt. 3:12.) and Devouring fire. (Isa. 33:12.) It is represented as a dimly dark place where there is nothing but grief, sadness, vexation, rage, despair, and gnashing of teeth; like one shut out during the obscurity of the night and severity of the cold. (Matt. 8:12.)

The wicked in hell not only undergo the punishment of sense, but also that of loss which is a separation from God; a privation of His sight and the beautiful vision. And added to these is the eternity of their misery, which above all other consideration makes it intolerable. By the gates of hell (Matt. 16:18.) is meant the power and policy of the devil and his instruments.

It is the firm belief of many that hell is within man, and that

even here man begins to experience the tortures and endure its horrors. Be that as it may, we have read of many who realize the tortures before departing. One man whom we shall call Mr. C was accustomed to mock at Christianity. Old age came on, and he passed his seventieth year. While on his death bed he said to the one who was called to read and pray: "I can see the devil here on the bed with me taking everything from me as fast as you read it." ("And these are they by the way side, where the Word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the Word that was sown in their hearts.") (St. Mark 4:15.) "It is too late, too late! Oh! see the stream coming up! See the river rising higher and higher; soon it will be over me and I will be gone."

Mr. W an infidel, residing in the state of New York was bitterly against the cause of God—he once held up his head and said: "Show me a hair in the palm of my hand, and I will show you a Christian at the age of seventy-four." He came to face death. About fifteen minutes before his departure he cried out: "I am in the flames—pull me out." This he kept repeating until the breath left his body.

If, there is no hell, and the punishment is not so great why should God make so great provision for our escape? Were the impure in heaven with the blaze and brightness of its glory all about them; with everything of splendor and sumptuous in the King of kings; and with friends and loved ones and all the beauty around; then, if unredeemed they would suffer tortures and agonies of HELL. (A vile man is always unhappy in the presence of the pure, and will stay as little among them as possible.) He will choose his boon companion; among whose nature is as low as his own. But he cannot bear gentle rebuke in the eyes of purity.

This is one reason why our Churches are so badly attended at the present time—men find little there congenial to their taste. The club, the bar-room and the baseball games suits them better—this society has little virtue with which to shame them. Take such a man to church and force him to remain through the service: do this two or three Sundays in succession, and then give him his choice of Church or a good thrashing:

Church would be the greater torture of them two.

No doubt then heaven would be a very wretched place for the impure.

We have to form a taste for a thing before we can enjoy it. Music, art, literature, etc., if one has no love for it, it is a bore. In

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ANOTHER FIELD TRUE FOR GOD

BIGTIMBER, Mont.—Several weeks ago we closed a meeting here which ran for about four weeks. The devil tried us very hard, but the Lord came to our rescue and gave us six souls for our hire. There were 5 baptized in water and came in the Church of God. Thank the Lord! Though it looked very discouraging for a while, the Lord blessed our efforts, and the saints at this place are true-blue and loyal to the Church of God—there are only a few here but we are LOYAL.

We ask you to pray that this work will grow to be large for the Lord.—Paul H. Walker.

Awake Ye Sleepers Work While 'Tis Day

It Behooves Us to Be
Watching and Have
On the Whole Armour
of God

Alice Stephens

How I do praise the dear Lord for what He is to me and His love that is shed abroad in my heart. His love to us is so great that it reaches everywhere, to every one; even to the lowest and most degraded classes of people. Not only to this low class, but it reaches to the high class of society and to those of different walks of life. Surely there is no respect of persons with Him.

It makes no difference how deep in sin one may go; yet His love is extended to all those that need Him; to all the needy and distressed. For the Father took the jewel of heaven and sent Him to this world that sinners might be made free.

Jesus loved us so well that He (King of kings and Lord of Lords) gave His life as a ransom that we might be redeemed from sin. Oh! The pain and agony that He bore in the garden of Gethsemane at a late hour of the night when most of the world was sleeping. His suffering was so great that His sweat were as drops of blood. Can you picture Him there praying such a prayer? Close your eyes and your ears to the surroundings and see if you can't get a picture of His agonies.

Why did He do this? Was it necessary? Though you say that it was necessary yet you (sinner) fail to accept Him as your saviour. Why do you wait? Oh! So many times you sit back and say that you want to be a Christian, you want to do the right thing etc., but you say not to-night some more convenient time; I want to enjoy the pleasures of life a while longer; I will wait till I get ready then I will accept the Lord. The Word doesn't say that He will knock at our hearts all the time; doesn't say that He will wait till we get ready, but says, "Now is the accepted time; today is the day of salvation if you hear His voice harden not your hearts."

O His love is so true and He is pleading with you. Why will you wait? —

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South Georgia Camp Meeting

At the Very First People
Began to Come From
all Sections of the
Country

FITZGERALD, Ga. — The camp meeting that so many have looked forward to has come and gone on the pages of history. Brother S. J. Heath had charge of the meeting and came over from Hazelhurst, about four days before hand to help arrange the camp ground. At the very first the people began to come from the north, east, south, and the surrounding communities and enjoy the good time with the Lord.

The program had to be a little digressed from for the first day or so on the account of the speakers failing to arrive in time. On July 1st the song service began promptly at 8:00 P. M. with the large tabernacle filled to its utmost capacity. After the singing and a concert prayer led by Brother J. S. White the announcement of the 5th annual camp meeting was announced by Brother Heath, also appointing J. S. White as clerk of the meeting.

Brother Heath brought the welcome address "The object of this meeting" using for a Scripture reading St. John 5:39. It is needless to say that he was at his best, but he preached with that old time power and the presence of the Lord was upon him. He lay great stress upon the necessity of "searching the Scriptures. The power began to fall and the Holy Ghost confirming with a message, with the interpretation which in part is as follows: "Little children, I am revealing to you my Word; little children press on, I am making known unto you my power; I am leading thee into deeper things—press on."

Every day from 10 to 12 o'clock was Bible study except the 4th, 6th, and 7th. The state convention work was taken up on the 7th by Brothers Latimer and Lee. Several districts were represented during the convention; several district overseers were present. Brother Latimer gave a brief report of the condition of the state. He stated that though we have lost maybe two or more churches, we have gained two or three new churches, and that we were holding our own well.

Brother Heath in reporting the Hazelhurst district stated that we were getting along fine, and as far as he knew we had not lost but two members. He also stated that a movement was on foot to have a permanent camp ground for South Georgia; stating that Brother Gyp Barns of Inigma, Georgia had offered fifteen acres of land for the purpose, which was later confirmed and the deed was made to the Church of God for the purpose of holding camp meeting as a permanent place.

Brother Latimer arrived the third day in time to fill his place on the program, his subject "Tithing." Brother Lee, General Overseer, came in on the

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We were very much surprised recently by looking over the front page of a new paper representing a new Church and noticing an article written by Mrs. (Shepherd) Taylor with heavy head lines, the title of which was, "MY HANDS AND MY FEET SEEMED TO BE BOUND AND MY SPIRIT WAS NOT FREE." I feel reasonably sure that if the readers of this article could turn and read the charges and complaints now laying before me; some dating Sept. 6th, Sept. 12th 1923, another Sept. 14, some others even further back than that they would better understand why her hands and her feet were tied and her spirit was not free. Her case has been in the hands of the Overseer for some time and his investigation was complete. He found that she was guilty of conduct unbecoming for a minister or member of the Church of God. Her knowing of these serious complaints and the inevitable results, she hastens to take her flight to a new and different Church.

These complaints are of a very serious nature and such that we would not care to embarrass our readers with but will say that they are on file in this office and any member in good standing with the Church is at liberty to look them over if they so desire.

Considering the charges and complaints as filed I do not know of a better step that she could have made than to identify herself with the movement that she has.

For some time we have been receiving strong protest against publishing her articles in the Evangel on account of these and other complaints and alleged misrepresentations, exaggerated reports etc.

This statement is given for the purpose of protecting the interest of the Church of God and that the readers may know the true facts as to the reasons for her taking her flight into her new home, and if she has found the people that are more in harmony with her manner and faith and conduct, we congratulate her on her new connection.

S. W. Latimer, Overseer of the State of Ga., called at the Publishing House. His visit was very much appreciated.

A good soldier is man enough to fight and free enough to shout when victory comes.

Some good people are like motor driven machinery, they run awhile after the power is turned off.

HELPS FOR THE TEMPTED

Mrs. Bertie Harrison.

BE NOT DISCOURAGED

Be not discouraged, sister,
O ye tempted and tried;
Whom the Father loveth He
chasteneth,

Ye who stand by His side.
Off' heavy His hand upon thee,
Off' weary thy feet;
Be not discouraged, sister,
When trials heavy you meet.

Be not discouraged, sister,
Even though you suffer loss;
For right has been your motive,
Ye soldiers of the cross.

There's a blood stained path be-
fore you,

The one that Jesus trod;
Be not discouraged, sister,
This path leads on to God.

Be not discouraged, sister,
Ye who for honor stand;
Even though thy strength may
fail thee,

Yield God thy fainting hand.
He lifts the humble pilgrim,
Who seeks to do His will;

Be not discouraged, sister,
With courage thy mission fill.

—Pearl Adams, Submitted
to Sister Clyde Haynes.

(Value of Trials Continued)
IN DRAWING US TO HIS
WORD FOR COMFORT

"That we through patience
and comfort of the Scriptures
might have hope." Rom. 15:4.
There are many Scriptures we
Christians would never under-
stand, appreciate nor appropri-
ate until we pass through some
deep trial which reveals the
power of God's word to com-
fort and sustain. His word is re-
plete with precious promises
that cheer and strengthen the
Christian under trial. Peter
says, "Whereby are given unto
us exceeding great and precious
promises that by these we might
be partakers of His divine
nature." "Now I commend you
to God and to the word of His
grace which is able to build you
up." Acts 20:32. In time of trial,
how the child of God needs these
"exceeding great and precious
promises." David said, "My soul
melteth for heaviness, strength-
en me according to Thy word.
This is my comfort in my afflic-
tion, for Thy word hath quick-
ened me. In my affliction quicken
me, oh Lord, according unto
Thy word." Reader, is your
mind quickened, wired as it
were? Are the lines of commu-
nication open between God's
heart and yours, along which He
can flash into your mind the
Scripture you need in the mo-
ment of temptation? In Christ's
severe conflict with Satan how
did He win the victory? By
quoting God's word. Three times
He said to the adversary, "It is
written," quoting just the Scrip-
ture He needed at the trying
moment. If God's word does not
abide in you richly, the Holy
Spirit cannot use His own sword
to bring comfort and strength

"God never would send us the darkness,
If He felt we could bear the light,
But we would not cling to His guiding hand
If the way were always bright,
And we would not care to walk by faith,
Could we always walk by sight.

So He may send us the blinding darkness,
And the furnace of seven-fold heat,
'Tis the only way, believe me,
To keep us close to His feet;
For 'tis always so easy to wander,
When our lives are glad and sweet."

To be Continued.

Good discipline is fine as long
as it is applied to the other fel-
low.

Some folks when about to be
overtaken and caught up with
their ungodly deeds prefer to
change stations and connec-
tions, but God never changes.

The Church of God cannot
tolerate sin, injustice, dis-
honesty, and impurity in order
to retain ministers or members
"Keep thyself pure."

Misses Genia Wiley and Grace
Holt of Atlanta, Ga. were visit-
ing friends in this city last
week. Their many friends ap-
preciate their visit. They re-
turned home Saturday.

Many good revivals are re-
ported to be in progress. From
the correspondence, the Lord
seems to be working in an un-
usual way, for which we are
very grateful.

to you in the time of testing.
But if your mind is filled with
His word, then you have a
weapon with which you can
ward off the dart of the enemy.

A sister was suddenly and un-
expectedly plunged into a fierce
and puzzling temptation. Her
mind was burdened as to what
she ought to do. Quickly she
cried out in silent prayer: "Oh
Lord, still this tempest in my
brain and show me what you
want me to do. Instantly came
these words, "Consider Him lest
ye be wearied and faint in your
mind." She did. For half an hour
she meditated prayerfully on
Him, and as she did so her mind
became calm and quiet, then
God revealed to her the next
step and soon her pathway was
clear again. At another time she
was tempted to deviate from
what she knew to be right and
again a silent prayer went up
for help, and the Holy Spirit
flashed these words into her
mind—"He is at my right hand,
I shall not be moved." And thus
she was enabled to stand firm
and true. She had committed
many Bible verses to memory
and thus gave the Holy Spirit
the avenue of approach to her
in time of need. Satan can so
quickly dart a temptation at us,
and we are at a disadvantage if
we are ignorant of God's word.
There will be no time to get a
Bible and hunt a verse to fit the
need. But if our minds are filled
with promises, how quickly He
can use them to win the victory
for us.

A mother was thrust into a
bitter experience. She was stun-
ned with grief and her reason
almost in danger. A friend re-
quested me to go and try to
comfort her, but what could I
say? I had never known such
an experience and felt that any
words of mine would be hollow
mockery before such grief. I
felt helpless and dumb and was
glad I could give her God's word,
which I knew would not return
void. I did so. Her face was the
picture of despair. We wept and
prayed, and together read God's
precious promises contained in
this article. A few days later I
saw her and noted a great
change. The drawn, pinched,
haggard lines of suffering had
relaxed and her face had an ex-
pression of quiet peace and rest.
She grasped my hand and said,
"Oh, I cannot tell you how those
Scriptures comforted my broken
heart." Truly, "The word of God
is quick and powerful." No won-
der Christ said, "My words are
spirit and life. Man shall not live
by bread alone, but by every
word that proceedeth out of the
mouth of God." Let us take
more time to feed upon them
and become strong to live victo-
riously. Then we can fearlessly
walk with Him through dark
and trying experiences, know-
ing—

NOTICE

We expect to have an all-day
service at Sale Creek church the
last Sunday in August (Aug. 31),
and every member is expected to
be present. Should any one be
unable to attend write to the
pastor a few lines to be read at
this time. We are expecting a
great feast with the Lord. Come,
we will have dinner for all.
—E. C. Dilbeck, Pastor.

Mrs. Nettie Rogers, 133
Adams St., Rock Hill, S. C.
would like to communicate with
Sister Mary Rouse at an early
date.

The Spring Place District con-
vention will convene August 10,
at Spring Place, Ga. with Broth-
er S. W. Latimer, State Over-
seer, in charge. We want all the
pastors, deacons, clerks and

Horrors of Hell— There is no Rest for Those There

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like manner, if man forms no
taste for heaven here he would
have no power to enjoy it; no
love for its society; no interest
in it whatever—in fact, would
indeed be a most foreign pitia-
ble object if placed there.

Hell means loss of God! Man
will have no ambition in hell for
there is nothing but misery. No
man that has a great ambition
in his soul is miserable because
he feels the present has little to
do with the future, and that he
can bear anything for the hope
that is in him.

As a lad may go to the
picture gallery and gaze on the
faces of his ancestors, and reads
the record of their fame, he goes
away with a determination to
overcome every obstacle and
achieve a name worthy of his
progenitors; so the God-filled
soul turns its beaming eyes
along the corridors of time and
the pages of history, and see-
ing all that God has done; know-
ing that God is its father, it goes
forth fired with enthusiasm;
full of high ambition, and de-
termined to be worthy of its
Author.

The soul that loses God loses
all that ever made life worth
living. No noble impulse will
ever stir it to sublime endeavor;
no splendid enthusiasm will ever
make it forget its surroundings.

A Sinner's Home

A person may have been ten-
derly nurtured here, surrounded
with every refinement and dis-
tinctness that wealth could pur-
chase and taste suggest; sensi-
tively delicate in all matters of
environments; financially fasti-
dious; as to companionship,
easily shocked and revolted by
indelicacy of speech or habit re-

workers to be present and let all
the churches be well represent-
ed. Come expecting a great
time with the Lord.—Margaret
Latimer, Clerk.

I am wanting to know the
whereabouts of Sister Annabelle
Hudson and Bonnie Hudson.
The last we knew of them they
were somewhere in Mississippi.
Should any of the saints know
the place where they are locat-
ed, we would be glad to hear
from you.—T. H. Morse, Clerk,
Dunn, La.

A revival will begin at Mt.
Vernon church, Clinton, Ala.
August 3, with Brother R. L.
Duke and wife in charge; also,
many others will be there who
will render good service. COME
and help us get souls saved.
—Mrs. Minnie Duke.

The Lord willing we will begin
a revival meeting at the Church
of God camp ground at Wi-
mauma, Fla. the second Sun-
day in August. The Lord bless-
es you here during the camp
meeting we want you to come
between camp-meeting times
and see if the Lord will be there.
Especially remember that we
will have home-coming day
which will be the fourth Sun-
day in August, at which time
we will have all-day service and
dinner on the ground and the
Lord's Supper and feet washing
the following night. All the
members of the church at Wi-
mauma are invited to attend,
and if you cannot be there write
us a few words of testimony:
as we want to hear from all
the members in some way
COME expecting the Lord to
bless in a wonderful way.—B.
L. Hicks, Pastor, Wimauma, Fla.

My testimony in the July
12th issue headed "Departing
Loved One Causes Change of
Life," gave the death of my wife
June 5, 1924 when it should
have been 1923.—A. J. Cox.

WANTED WORK

By a middle age Christian
woman; willing to do house-
keeping work for my board and
five dollars (\$5.00) per week.
Willing to go anywhere.—Car-
rie Swickheimer, 915 Noble St.,
Toledo, Ohio.

A series of meetings will be-
gin at Carbon Hill, Ala. the
fourth Saturday night in Au-
gust with Bro. Z. D. Simpson
in charge. Should anyone feel
led to come over and help, your
service will be appreciated.—
Clyde Dodds, Pastor.

garding the exquisite as the es-
sential and the beautiful. But in
spite of all this in HELL a per-
son must suffer the perpetual
horrors of villainous proximity.
He must associate with the
filthy and herd with the vile in
an atmosphere of horrifying
disgust. Not a breath of purity;
shade of refinement nor spark
of delicacy, but a level revolting
wreck of the obscene and foul.
None who have entered can
escape. There is no hope. No
solace but just endurance; no
patience except as despair is
patience; all this continues not
for one year nor a hundred—
the question is often asked,
"How long will punishment
last?" Is it eternal? (It is eter-
nal.) (Rev. 20:10.)

The expression, for ever and
ever used of the lake of fire pre-
pared for the devil and his
angels, to which the persistent-
ly wicked also go, is spoken of
twelve times in the book of
Revelation. Eight times it refers
to the duration of existence,
reign or glory of Christ; once to
the duration of the blessed reign
of the righteous and in the three
remaining instances to the dura-
tion of the torment of the devil,
the beast, false prophets, and
the persistently wicked. Who
can picture the trouble of a lost
soul to God?

Though we speak with the
voice of thunders and gather in-
to its tones the myriad sounds
of earth, sky, and sea; though
we borrowed the language of
angels and consulted with
cherubim for choice forms of
speech; yet, we could not tell
the horrors of a soul doomed in
perpetual despair. Lost to the
love of God and irrevocably
undone.

The loss of God will be only
one of the agonies of HELL.
The loss of friends will scarcely
be less painful to contemplate.
There can be no friendship, no
love, and one may be ever so
poor, disease may prey upon
vital organs misfortune lie
grievously on their hearts; yet,
can rejoice in friends, even the
worst criminals are not utterly
forsaken; men accused of the
foulest, most brutal crimes have
been ministered to by faithful
wives, and succored by their
friends and children.

In Hell no Sympathy can Exist

It is said that when the chol-
era raged in London, men for-
sook their wives, women their
husbands, mothers their chil-
dren, and loved ones their be-
trothed. Even the infants at the
breast suffered starvation by
their natural protectors' feeble-
ness and incapability. Aged per-
sons locked into houses perished
miserably with the noxious
diseases with no one to pity or
aid them.

It is also said that in France
during the great famine of 1001,
women actually devoured their
own offspring as they did in
Jerusalem when Titus besieged
it and a butcher, Bordeaux was
burned alive for exposing human
flesh for sale upon his stall.

A panic in a theater, a ship
wreck or some appalling or sud-
den disaster would so demoral-
ize the multitudes that pity,
mercy, and courtesy and honor
are all as though they had never
been. Hearts are almost univer-
sally kind and tender, but over-
whelming misery inwardly sours
the sweetness of human kind-
ness.

How then shall any think of
others needs in this awful
democracy of agonies? Horrible
selfishness will underlie the
history of HELL. Those of you
who are readers of Indian history
may remember the night of
horror, spent by 140 English
prisoners in the black hole of
Calcutta—a frightful place,
only twenty feet square having
two small gratings obstructed
by a veranda through which the
hot air came. They were forced
into it by order of the Saragah
Dowah, the Nabob. Many of
them were gentlemen—some of
them were cadets of noble
houses.

The torture they suffered
were horrible in the extreme.
They struggled savagely for a
place at the wrecked windows;
bit at one another and snarled
and shrieked like beasts—they
were mad on that miserably hot
night. Friends but a few hours
before and other times quite
Englishmen now clutched each
other's throats and strangled
like demons. The Hindu guards
without brought lights and
laughed at and tormented their
victims.

In the morning a miserable
remainder of twenty-three as
ghostly beings as the sun ever
shone upon were left to tell the
story of the fearful night. In
hell the same phenomena will be
seen. Not a crowded room but
in a world in a savage commo-
tion; a sea of seething passion;
luminous with the baleful glare
of millions of tigerish eyes blaz-
ing with eternal and unquench-
able hate. Nor can these deni-
zens of the underworld look to
heaven for sympathy. No Laz-
arus will bring cool water to re-
fresh their fevered tongues; the
sky will be brass; no response
will reach them though they
wail and pray forever.

Oh! sinner and backslider
pray now while you will not be
refused audience. We have
access now to God through Je-
sus Christ.

In this horrible place (HELL)
Love will be turned to hate.
Those who on earth were near-
est and dearest to one another
will be distinguished only by ac-
cusations; men who once loved
their wives will turn to them as
Adam did to Eve and shriek,
"Thou didst beguile me." Wom-
en will arise up in awful wrath
and rent curses on their hus-
bands whose evil examples first
led them astray. BEWARE
wives and husbands; children
will make hell's tortures fiercer
anathemas, in the ears of god-
less parents; each shall mock
at the other's agonies and
deride his neighbor's anguish.
Intellectual and spiritual agony
shall be increased, not dimin-
ished. We have some light speak-
ing levity loving persons un-
removed by warnings, and re-
gardless of their immortal in-
terests say that they will have
excellent company there: so
many fellows with whom they
had lied, gambled, cheated, and
run the gantlets of vice.

Bad men only care for one
another for what they gain. The
moment a man becomes use-
less or in trouble, he will be
dropped and all ancient profes-
sions of friendship will be for-
gotten. Loneliness, horrible-
ness, and eternity in which all
the social powers will decay; all
social graces be but mockery;
and memories shall be the
doom of the once good society
fellow and boon companion.

Not even a cat or dog to accom-
pany their loneliness. This is
even beyond the reach of the
doomed sinner, imagine it if you
can! Good removed from the
world with no law; no restraint
divine or human. Who can pic-

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own work besides do some for Jesus as I have often said I can't do much but I can live good and do some little things once in a while.

I always try to let the devil know which side I am on. Well, praise the Lord, I am on the Lord's side. We trust Him in our home for both soul and body. Our children know nothing else but trust God—when they get sick, they call for prayer.

Just a few days ago our little girl was sick and had been sick for three or four days with a high fever, and we prayed and trusted God and all at once the faith came so I went to the bed and took her up.

I called her by her name, and said, "Beatrice get up in the name of the Lord, He has healed you." She was weak but thank God she never went back to bed—she was healed.

But we must trust God and have faith in Him if we want Him to hear us in time of trouble, we read in Ps. 66:18: "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." O it takes prayer, faith and obedience.

FALLING UNDER POWER OF GOD

ELDORADO, Ill.—We have just closed a two-week's meeting conducted here by Brother W. M. Rumbler. He preached about one week before he made an altar call, then when the call was made they came falling under the power of God; and many times we witnessed people falling under the power, falling in the altar calling for the Lord to come to their rescue. The saints held on to the Lord and there were seventeen saved, twelve sanctified, twelve received the Holy Ghost. On Sunday (June 13th) there were twenty-five who followed the Lord in water baptism, and that night fourteen were added to the Church of God.

The Lord greatly blessed the saints during the Lord's Supper and feet washing service; they shouted, danced, talked in tongues, and feasted on the many good things of the Lord. We had some soul stirring time.—Tony Ford, Pastor.

17 FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST

EAST CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—The Lord is still pouring out His Spirit here in a wonderful way. We have just closed a two-week's meeting conducted by Brother E. L. Simmons of West Virginia, assisted by the writer, the pastor; in which there were seventeen filled with the Holy Ghost, a number sanctified, while others were saved and reclaimed.

The last night of the meeting there were six who came in the church, and the Wednesday following four more; making a total of ten. The Sunday following there were twelve baptized in water.

This is a wonderful year for the Church of God at East Chattanooga, and in spite of the number turned out, we are expecting still greater things from the Lord, and the church to grow and double its membership this year. It seems that the dead weights are falling off and the Church is moving on with greater speed than ever before. More have come into the church here in the last few weeks than have in two years before. Praise God for what He is doing!—Zeno C. Tharp, Pastor.

MANY LOOKING THIS WAY

LAWTON, Okla.—We just closed a meeting here in which we had with us our state overseer, Brother J. M. Viney, helping. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way in the giving out of the Word, and there were four saved while many more were moved to conviction and made to look this way.

This people heard the gospel preached as they had never heard before, and we ask that you remember them in your prayers that they may prove true to the end.—F. R. Folsom, Pastor.

USE A LITTLE WINE FOR THY STOMACH'S SAKE

It is Said That the Country Where Timothy Was at That Time Afforded Water of an Alkali Nature—Paul Suggested That He Drink Wine Instead

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.
(1 Tim. 5:23.)

We see in the remaining part of the verse that Timothy had trouble as concerning his health. He seems to have gotten better at times, then break down again. Paul made mention of his often infirmities. Infirmity is the state of being weak or sick. Timothy was really sick at times, and that very often. His trouble seemed to have been that of his stomach. We all know that when the stomach is out of order it generally affects the whole system, the red corpuscles fail to rightly form, therefore, the blood is incapable to perform its function; the liver becomes torpid and the whole system has become poisoned.

Infirmity doesn't every time mean sickness or disease, but this is one sense of the term used. At John 5:5, we find a certain man which had an infirmity for thirty-eight years. Jesus asked him if he wanted to be made whole. Isn't it wonderful that Jesus approached the man and asked him if he would be made whole? This shows that Jesus is very anxious to relieve suffering humanity. Jesus spoke the word and he was immediately made whole.

Luke 5, tells us about another man whom Jesus touched and healed of leprosy. Jesus told him to not tell it, but instead of keeping quiet he told it where he went, in so much that the fame went out and the multitudes came to Him to be healed of their infirmities. This shows that infirmities were something that could be healed.

Luke 13:11, tells us about a woman that had an infirmity of eighteen years standing; she was bowed over; physicians more than likely would say "she had rheumatism." But Luke said, "She had a spirit of infirmity." Thousands of people have this spirit of infirmity; it is actually a spirit, an unclean spirit from Satan in the flesh; the woman wasn't demented, she was only diseased and doubtless suffered severe pains because of this spirit of infirmity, but Jesus cast it out.

At Matthew 8:17, we find that Jesus took our infirmities and bore our sickness—this statement was taken from Isaiah 53:4, but instead of infirmities, Isaiah says, "Borne our griefs," and griefs is translated pain; it would read then "took our pains and bare our sickness." We should rejoice and be glad today that we need not bear our pains and sicknesses any more, but by faith lay them on Jesus just like you laid your sins on Him.

Jesus, Not the Wine.

The Syriac Version says, "Hereafter drink not water, but drink a little wine; on account of thy stomach and continuing infirmities." Now let us notice, Paul didn't say take it for your stomach or to heal your stomach but on account of your stomach. It is said the country where Timothy was at that time afforded water of an alkali nature and was hard on his digestive organs, doubtless inflaming his stomach; so Paul suggests that he cease drinking water and drink wine instead. Wine doesn't mean fermented juice of grapes every time from a viewpoint of the Bible, but it also means the fresh juice just pressed from the grape.

Jesus has borne our infirmities, so He doesn't mean for us to try to heal ourselves by drinking wine, but the wine is to be used instead of alkali water. I was at a place one time where the water was an injury to a certain patient, so the physician recommended that the lady use no more water, but a little grape juice instead of the water.

I am sure that it is good for us to use good judgment about our eating and drinking. If you find that a certain food or drink is against your health, you

FINDS THE SAINTS SHOUTING VICTORY

LAWTON, Okla.—On June 7, the Lord permitted me to set a church of God in order here with 14 loyal members. I left the work under the faithful care of Brother Silkwood, Deacon; and on returning in about one month I found the saints still shouting the victory.

We pitched battle against the devil with the Lord's blessings upon us from the very start. There have been 9 saved, 1 sanctified, and 2 baptized with the Holy Ghost up to the present time and we feel like there will be many more that will accept the precious plan of salvation; therefore, the meeting will continue as long as the Lord leads. Praise the Lord!

Continue to pray for the work at this place that it will prove a blessing to this dear people, and to the Church of God.—E. H. Nelson, Crescent, Okla.

LORD'S PRESENCE WAS REALIZED

ANDERSON, S. C.—We have just closed a two-week's meeting here with much success having had with us Brothers J. B. Eades and Pearson of Walhalla, and Sister Delle who rendered very valuable service in making music for the meeting. There were 9 saved, 6 sanctified, and 2 received the Holy Ghost.

We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing Sunday night being conducted by Brother L. H. Powell of Belton. The Lord was with us all during the meeting and His approval and presence was felt the last night.—Nettie Hanvey.

should at once discard it and try something else.

Paul sent Epaphroditus to Philippi, but sent him the more carefully because he had been sick. This shows us that we should be very careful when our body is weak in disease and sickness. We are to be wise as serpents.

Art Thou in Health 2 Sam. 20:9.

A few years ago while I was living in Florida my son was real sick with flux. We prayed for him several days, but he grew worse and one night I decided that I would pray all night; but instead of staying awake I dropped off to sleep and dreamed that I saw a large alligator lying back in a hole in the bank of a large lake which was near the place we lived, and I was told in my dream that the water passed through this alligator's den to the well where we drew our water from and that this filthy water was the cause of my boy's sickness. We had no other water to drink, so we decided to boil the water for him and he began to amend from that time. My wife also dreamed the same night that the water was the trouble. We shall never doubt that the Lord revealed to us through a dream that the water was the primary cause of his sickness.

Paul had a night vision which was doubtless a dream. Joel states that when Pentecost came the old men would dream dreams. Paul's vision was that of a man pleading for him to come to Macedonia and help them; this he did and devils were cast out and many things were accomplished.

Paul at another time while on board a great ship that was being tossed and driven by a storm saw in a night vision, (doubtless a dream) an angel who gave him special instructions and he gave the same to the men on board. He told them to take food and eat for it was for their health—Paul though the great storm was on, didn't forget the health of his companions.

John wrote to Gaius that he wished above all things that he should be in health and prosper even as his soul prospered.

One can't prosper on any line if his health is broken down. So the greatest thing in this world for mankind is health. We may prosper in our souls, we may be filled with the Spirit and living on the mountain top religiously speaking, but John recognized the fact also that we may prosper in health, and this might come at the instance of prayer. The Syriac Version says, "I pray for thee that thou mayest prosper and be in health."

IN MEMORY OF

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

PITTMAN

On June 25, 1924, the death angel visited the home of Mr. Robert Pittman and claimed for its victim their darling little baby boy, age one month and seven days. His stay on this earth was but a short time—it was like a flower that blooms, then fades away. We wondered why God saw fit to take him so soon but He knows best.

He leaves to mourn his departure father and mother, five brothers, two sisters, and many friends.

So sleep on little darling, In your silent and cold bed; And we hope to meet you there, In that land so happy and fair.

Written by a friend.—Jessie Belle Leggett, Washington, N. C.

GENTZEL

On May 29, 1924, the death angel visited the home of Mr. George Gentzel and claimed for its victim their darling, Helen Marvina Gentzel, age 1 yr. 11 mo. She was sick with pneumonia and suffered intensely; and though we prayed for her, God saw best to take her to the glory land with Him.

She leaves to mourn her death; two grandmothers, one little brother, and a host of friends, who if true to the Lord will meet her in the glory world.—Mrs. Chas. Gentzel, Circleville, Ohio.

HARRIS

On March 20, 1924, the death angel took Mrs. M. E. Harris home to be with Jesus. She was born June 3, 1873, converted 1904. She was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and lived true to the Lord till He said that it was enough. She stood true to the Lord and up to the end said that she was ready to go to be with the Lord, and for Him to have His will in her behalf.

She is gone but not forgotten.—Laura Dodd, Alva, Fla.

DEARMAN

On May 16, 1924 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Dearman and took away their darling baby boy, Thomas Eugene, born June 24, 1918.

He leaves to mourn his death father, mother, three brothers, and two sisters. We weep not as those who have no hope, for our loss is heaven's gain.

We had a treasure once, He was our joy and pride; We loved him perhaps too much, For soon he slept and died.

All is dark within our dwelling, Lonely are our hearts today; For the one we loved so dearly, Has forever gone away.

Precious darling he has left us, Left us yes forever more; But we hope to meet our loved one, On that bright and happy shore.

His dear mother.—Mrs. H. S. Dearman, Farrell, Miss.

CULBERTSON

The death angel visited the home of Mr. J. W. Culbertson, near Rosine, Ky., and claimed their darling little baby, Paul Wesley Culbertson; age seven months, three weeks, and two days.

Little Paul brightened the home Nov. 7, 1923, and called by His Master July 1, 1924. Little Paul was very sick, and on the night preceding the morning of his death we thought that he was getting much better as he was going so soon; but we can give God the glory for it all, for we have the sweet assurance of meeting him on the other shore when this life is over.

The funeral was conducted by Bro. Jackson Allen, and the interment was at the Rosine cemetery where little Paul will await the resurrection, and coming of Jesus. The deceased is survived by father, mother, one brother, and many friends.—Allene Basham, Horse Branch, Ky.

McCALL

On June 12, 1924, our dear son Lex McCall was called to his rest with the Lord. Age 18 years 1 month and 4 days. He was a very good boy having been saved; and he believed in the great Church of God.

Lex was a very obedient boy, always ready to do that which would please his parents in everything. Lex was out swimming and the cramp caught him, and though his father did all that he could to rescue him, he drowned. And we hope that our loss is heaven's gain.

The funeral was conducted by Bro. Jesse Rogers, and his body laid to rest in the cemetery at the Church of God near Walhalla to await the coming of the Lord. He leaves to mourn his departure; father and mother, and his three sisters, who have the blessed hope that they will see him again if they stand true to the Lord.

We loved you Lex, we loved you, But Jesus loved you more; And He has sweetly called you, To yonder's shining shore.

His mother, Mrs. Lula McCall, Walhalla, S. C., R. F. D. 2.

PULLIN

James A. Pullin, age 49 yrs. 3 mo. and 10 da. departed this life June 1, 1924, after being hurt while working on the railroad. He lived but a few days, and while we hated to give him up, we know that our loss is heaven's gain.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Burns, and the body laid to rest in

Expects New Church in Near Future

SARASOTA, Fla.—Although there are only a few Church of God people here and the most of them are women, the Lord is continuing to bless and give us souls for our hire. Praise the Lord! One sister donated a lot that is worth about \$800.00, and we have \$50.00 in the bank as a first deposit on the lumber with which to build us a church house. We feel like the Lord is leading this great work and we are intending to follow.

The plans are already drawn for a house 28x40 and a few have offered their service on same; and we are going ahead in the name of Jesus expecting Him to lead this great work to suit Him. Should any one feel like contributing to the fund to apply on the house it will be gladly received. May the dear Lord bless greatly. Pray for this work that it will stand till the Lord shall come back.—J. L. Driggers, 227 10th St., Sarasota, Fla.

District Convention a Great Success

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fourth in time also to fill his place on the program, his subject being "Mark of the beast." Promptly at 8:00 P. M. the song service began after which a concert prayer was offered up to the Lord led by Brother Eddie Culpepper; followed with a healing service with great victory, the Lord greatly blessing the sick and healing their diseases.

Brother Lee came forth, after a few introductory remarks read a portion of the 13th chapter of Revelation, entering into his great discourse. Though the congregation was large and the people crowded, they gave perfect attention to the speaker—for an hour or so the people were held spell bound; they didn't even seem to realize where they were. Especially the sinner people became so interested and enthused as Brother Lee was preaching of the mark of the beast, referring to the chart for illustrations.

At the close of the service an altar call was given, and the altar was soon filled with earnest seekers of the Lord; many being wonderfully blessed; some saved, some sanctified, and several received the Holy Ghost. The power fell and the Lord served us with a great feast from the table. Thank the dear Lord! Brother J. S. Llewellyn, Editor and Publisher of the Evangel, was listed on the program but being pressed with official business was unable to attend; however, Brother Lee and others led the meeting on through victoriously.

This was Bro. Lee's first visit with us, but we hope it will not be the last one. His preaching and presence will be long remembered in our hearts and may the dear Lord bless him that he may continue to be used of the Lord. I would like to tell you more about our great meeting, but time and space will not permit.

Come back next July, we hope to have our camp ground for South Georgia open.—J. S. White.

The Williams cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. He leaves to mourn his departure a widow and three little children, who grieve not as those who have no hope, but expect to meet him again on the other shore.

Thou art gone but not forgotten, A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled.

His niece, Idena Williams, Levi, W. Va.

LORD BLESSES WORK ESTABLISHED

CAMPAIGN, Tenn.—The Church which was set in order at the Black Oak school house in March has since made many friends and gained a few more members.

We were there July 13th and had an all-day meeting with dinner on the ground, and the Lord met with us in such a wonderful way that we decided to continue the meeting till Friday night, which proved to be a great success. The Lord manifested Himself to us in such a way in each service till the house was so crowded till it would hardly hold the people that came to see the wonderful things that the Lord was doing for His humble people.

One who was a preacher laid aside his pipe and tobacco and went to the altar. He told the people that he wanted the Holy Ghost, and on Thursday night he went to the altar continuing to call on the Lord for the Holy Ghost. He held on till he was filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance. Praise the Lord! The last night of the meeting he and three others came in the Church of God. Well, glory!

They are still worshipping in the little school house but expect to have a nice church house erected in a few weeks; already having made a good start—the people of the community are greatly interested in the work. I am greatly reminded of the church at Jerusalem shortly after Pentecost as they were praising God and having favor with all the people. Thank the Lord for the Church of God.—Jno. C. Jerri-gan.

People Swayed by Power of God

KENTWOOD, La.—I am glad I can report victory for the Church of God here through the precious blood of Jesus. We have just had a wonderful meeting here having had with us helping Brother R. Smith of Morgantown, Miss., whom the Lord used wonderfully in the giving out of His Word. The congregation seemed to be swayed by the mighty power of the Lord as Brother Smith would give the Word out with such love of the Lord.

There were four reclaimed to the Lord, and the saints were encouraged and strengthened in the faith of the Lord; shouting, dancing, and talking in other tongues was common while the Holy Ghost was a lively guest. We hope this will be a precedent of another revival we hope to have Brother Smith conduct for us.—Bettie Sanders.

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GOOD PROSPECTS IN MISSOURI

BROSELEY, Mo.—I want to report victory for the work here. I preached at Caladonia school house thirteen nights with wonderful victory. We had a wonderful time in the Lord and the saints shouted, danced, and talked in tongues under the mighty power of the living God. We found some real Church of God people here who are standing firm for the Church of God with all her teachings. Praise the Lord! Brother L. W. Lane, Pastor, is standing firm for the Church in every respect and not shunning to declare the whole truth. I think lots of Bro. and Sister Lane and sure did enjoy being in their home—I sure felt welcome.

The church at Broseley hasn't a place to worship yet, but the school house has been opened for the use of preaching and Sunday school, and the Lord is blessing in the efforts put forth. We expect to have a house in the near future and believe the church is going to increase.

From here we went to Elk school house, about four miles east of Broseley, and preached 11 sermons finding many eager to hear the truth. The devil was stirred and did some howling, but the Lord didn't fail to pour out His blessings on them who did yield to Him their all. It was a busy time with the farmers and we did not get to hold the meeting as long as we probably otherwise would have; but they invited us back again and we expect the Lord to bless still more at that place.

From here I was called three miles north of Broseley to conduct a meeting in a house built by some Pentecostal people. There we had a good time and many accepted the truth, and one was sanctified. I spent two nights in the home of Brother Hill, one of the officials in the Pentecostal Holiness Church, and talked with him. I think lots of Brother Hill and I believe that he will come in the Church of God, together with many more.

I next went to Malden, where I found an arbor waiting for me, and began a revival against the devil with Brother and Sister Webster helping. Brother and Sister Webster are real Church of God people and a great help to the work on the field. Sister Webster has been doing some good preaching that has found its way into the hearts of sinners and I believe will stay with them till Jesus comes for His bride. This sure is a needy field and the people are all looking towards the Church of God. Every place the Church is being preached the devil is howling, but the saints are standing true and looking for greater things in the future.

From Malden we went to Broadwater, about three miles northeast of Malden on the Cotton Belt Railroad. There I found grandma Teal, another dear saint of God, in charge of another Sunday school using Church of God literature. Sister Teal is a true saint of the Lord and loves the Church of God with her noble teachings. This sure is a needy field and we believe that there will be a real good work established here for the Lord. In spite of the busy time of the year with the farmers, I preached four sermons and the fathers and mothers came to the altar seeking more of the Lord—O how earnest they seemed to be about their souls. Good prospects for the Church of God every place I have been.—John H. Jones, Fredericktown, Mo.

MANY EAGER TO HEAR TRUE GOSPEL

WADE, Miss.—I have just closed a week's meeting here, having had with me helping: my wife; Sister Sophia Bennett; and Sister Furr. We held the service in the Methodist's and Baptist's churches attended by large congregations eager to hear the gospel. There were many who came to the altar seeking the Lord, and we left those dear people longing to hear more of the true gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I would be glad for some real Church of God minister to go there and help these dear earnest people on to the truth.—Chas. Waltmon.

In Sympathy With Bereaved

Expressions of Friend and Bereaved of the Death of Mrs. Leah Lemons Wilkins

I have thought ever since I heard of Leah's death that I would write to you but it has been hard for me to know what to say. Words are scarce at such times and under such circumstances.

It certainly was difficult for me to believe she was gone. Bless her heart. I shall not soon forget how sweetly she always responded when asked to be of service in any way. The afternoon before we had our missionary program that night I told her that I wanted her to preside, and when the time came she was there in her place with an inspiring little message.

She looked like an angel in her wedding dress, and so many remarked how sweet she looked. Then I asked her when I left to stand by the young people's training class which she promised to do. We were made to wonder why God called such a sweet character away and left so many here whose only thought is to serve the world. He knows and we are not to question His wisdom. We can only say her sufferings are over; she has traded the old cross for a crown.

I am so sorry for Garner (her husband), he seemed so proud of her. I want to write to him when I learn his address. Give my love and sympathy to dear little Lillian and the boys.

God bless you in this hour of sorrow and give you the needed grace.

Your sister, Bertie Harrison.

Dear saints and loved ones:—

I am praising the great God this morning for His mighty power and goodness to the children of men. I praise Him this morning because He has stood by me in these lonely hours since He took my precious daughter home to live with Him. You know without His grace and help it would be impossible but praise His sweet name, the Comforter is abiding with me this morning, and I can see that it pays us to teach our children to serve God from the cradle on up.

A while before my little daughter passed away she looked up at me and said, "Mamma, don't worry about me; for all is fixed between me and the Lord." And that testimony is worth more to me than all this world, and I am going to take a trip over there where I can be with her all eternity. I fancy I can see her watching and waiting for me now, but I will have to wait till Jesus says that it is enough; then with gladness I shall lay down the struggles of this life and fly away to be with Jesus.

Then Leah and I can walk the golden streets together and have a talk about the wonderful works of God, and how that He has redeemed us from sin. That will be much better than living down here where there is nothing but sin and sorrow. I have two children who are on the other shore with Jesus and I would not bring them back to live in this troublesome world if I could; for they are so much better off than my five left behind.

I am so glad I have taught my children to serve and fear God, and I expect to continue; expecting God to give me the desire of my heart, that every one of them will make it thru to the city of God. Parents, don't ever let the devil cheat you out of teaching your children the way of truth; even though it does seem sometime in vain. But it is not, the devil is a liar and the father of it. The Word of God is powerful and if we will keep binding it about the hearts of our children it will bring forth fruit some day. Praise the Lord!

I ask every child of God to pray that I may be the means of many souls coming to God.

Your sister in the vineyard for lost souls.—Mrs. M. S. Lemons, Cleveland, Tenn.

To Church of God in General—Notice

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord:—

I take this opportunity of informing you that it will be impossible for me to serve the Church any longer as teacher of the Bible School, on account of my eyes—they are giving away rapidly. I enjoy the work more than many of you know; possibly none but the students who have attended. It brings tears when I think of giving up this work.

Owing to the fact that the students want to know who will be their teacher do I make this statement. I now leave this matter as to the arrangement of the next term in the hands of Brothers Lee and Llewellyn and the committee on education. Let all correspondence relative to the school be taken up with the brethren above named.

I am going in a few days to the western states. I think my future service to the Church will be in the Evangelistic field. It is about the only place I will be able to serve the Church in the future, that and pastoring.

This is not a resignation but just a notice that I will not be the teacher in the school any longer. It has been rumored that I and the brethren were not at an agreement. This I wish to deny. I love Brother Lee and Brother Llewellyn just as I always have, also all the other brethren, and I believe they are doing their best for the great Church of God.

I love the Church of God just like I always have, and expect to do all I can for her while I live in the world; and when I die or am changed, I expect to be one of her members on the other shore.

God has been blessing me in my Evangelistic services, and I wish to say to all who have written me for meetings in Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia, and Illinois and elsewhere that I cannot comply with your request at this time.

I will be in Southwest Texas in a few days. Pray for us much. Your brother in Christ.—J. B. Ellis.

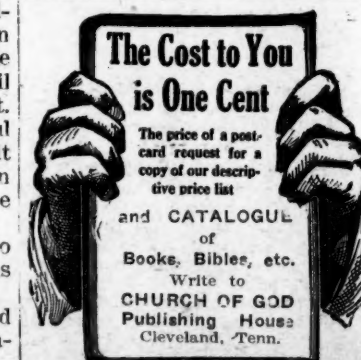
RIPE FIELD FOR CHURCH OF GOD

BETHUEL SPRINGS, Tenn.—We have just closed a meeting here with wonderful success; the Lord blessing in every effort put forth for Him. We only preached five sermons and there were 2 sanctified, and 5 received the Holy Ghost. (Acts 2:4.) Thank the Lord! This sure is a ripe field for the Church of God; and though we had but little time there this time they asked us to come back and tell them more about Jesus. We would be delighted to go back as the Holy Ghost is falling there in a wonderful way.

There are about 40 or 50 who have the Holy Ghost and FIRE, at this place and really love the Church of God. Pray for the work at this place that it will continue to grow for the Lord and His Church.—Mrs. Minnie Duke, Clinton, Ala. Route 6.

HARD TRIALS BUT STANDS TRUE

Mrs. W. J. McMillan, Odum, Ga., writes: This morning finds me once more on the sunny side of life; saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Like on the day of Pentecost, Praise God! I can never thank the Lord enough for what He has done for me. When out in the world, the Lord was good to me. Many times I have felt the Spirit of the Lord shake my whole body; and I began to hunger and thirst for righteousness. I have had many hard trials and temptations but the Lord is leading me on. Pray for me.



Horrors of Hell— There is no Rest for Those There

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ture a catastrophe so awful. Blood would flow in rivers; every one would revel the indulgence of his passions; slay with hands and rend with hatred.

Lost and Worst

There is no peace in hell; not a moment of calm nor no cessation of disquiet. There will be a haunting dread on every soul; a fearful foreboding of greater evil and added calamity to come till the soul shall shriek into the deafened ears of the outraged Deity: "Bathe me in fiercest heat; drown me in the seething bubbling oil of a thousand lurid lakes; chastise me with all agonies; and purge me with direct torture; but give me a little HOPE, a little PEACE, and just ONE moment of sweet calm."

The echoes of caverns shall be stirred; the voices of hell shall be lifted; and from a myriad of parched, pained, and pale lips shall first shriek of mocking laughter, saying: "There is no rest here." There is no rest here, the laughter will die into a wail and the wail into a muttering, "Too late! too late! too late!"

If it is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of a living God, it is a terrible thing to fall out of them. It is not easy to damn a soul, but we must not blame God with this. If we are called upon to suffer a doom so horrible, we bring it upon ourselves. We inhabit a home of our own building, and are burned with fires of our own kindling.

There is a way of escape dear soul. The MERCY of God is so great that He sends out His own Son with a flag of truce to call us back to our allegiance. Even though we be stricken down on the battle field of sin and be trembling and dying with scarcely a pulse beat left; He will stoop over us, and be there but a repentant sigh He will bestow upon us, the kiss of reconciliation; He will place His ears near the lips of those from whose bodies the pale soul is fluttering forth, and snatch it from the arms of Satan as he reaches out his hand to grab it.

In HELL thou wilt have none but a company of damned souls with an innumerable company of devils to keep company with you. When thou hast been in HELL as many thousand years as there are stars in the firmament; drops of water in the sea; grains of sand on the sea shore; yet, thou hast to lie there forever where there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth; where the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

We can dispose of HELL for the unsaved only by saying that God didn't mean what He said. Which would you wish to live in by and by, and which are you traveling? Heaven or HELL? Every day you are moving nearer one or the other. You can not be ignorant of the way in which your steps are tending. You may know by the milestones; if you see on your way lust, lies, selfishness, intemperance, vulgarity, meanness, cowardice, arrogance, cruelty, contempt of good, infidelity, profanity, and greed, you may be sure that you are walking on the way to HELL. But if the milestones you pass are love, peace, purity, truth, charity, temperance, modesty, patience, humility, gentleness, generosity, faith, reverence, and trust, you may be sure that you are on your way to heaven.

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Awake Ye Sleepers Work While 'Tis Day

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you turn Him away? I wish I could get a picture of His love before your eyes that will make you to realize the great love that He had for you. How hard it seems, how heart rendering it is some times when we go away from friends that we love. It seems that our heart is almost broken. His love is greater than all this; we can't fathom it. It reaches from heart to heart, state to state and from country to country, and it grieves His heart when we refuse to obey Him; refuse to walk in the light that He has shown to us; and all the little things that we know to do for the advancement of His cause that we fail to do that we should.

Have you ever been fortunate enough to have some one give his life for you? Not long ago I heard of a little boy who took the place of a man who had a family that the father might be permitted to be with his family. Now don't you know that man loved that boy, who died for him? Surely he did. He couldn't express his gratitude to him for he had gone on, but he knew that he would be rewarded for his sacrifice.

So it was with Jesus. He stepped out and said, "I will give my life that you may have eternal life." Then He was led away to calvary and nailed to the cross. I love Him for He first loved me.

Dear Christians if there ever was a time that we need to wake up to the sense of our duty it is now. We should realize the responsibility that rests upon us as Christians and prove to this world that Jesus loves them; that He is standing with His hands outstretched beckoning to them to come and be saved. Behold, I am afraid that if we don't stand at our post of duty that some soul will go out in eternity without God, and we will be responsible for same. Then when we think about this and how that we could have saved them, if we had only put forth a little effort, then we will be made very sad indeed.

It behooves us to be watching and have on the whole armor of God, for this is a time that people surely need God. There are so many going hither and thither; traversing the land and sea, seeking peace and rest but there is no rest to be found only in the Lord Jesus, and it is up to the Christian to be prepared to point them to the right place for safety. Oh, that the children of God would wake up and cut loose every thing that is so easily besetting them that they may run this race with patience and help pray down that power that they had on the day of Pentecost. There would be more sweeping revivals than ever before and many souls stirred to the salvation of their souls.

There are so many today that are sitting around and saying that they are willing to do anything that the Lord wants them to do but from their actions they seem to find nothing to do. God doesn't want people who are not willing to sacrifice

for Him; help bear the reproach of this High Way of Holiness; and willing to forsake every thing, home, friends, and loved ones that this gospel might go to the ends of the earth. No, indeed He doesn't!

I am afraid that we Christians have gotten out from under the burden for lost souls that we once had maybe, and are not agonizing with God that He might save. We seem to think that the toils of life are so great, the time in which to make our living and tend to the things of this life heaping upon us, that we don't have the time to get down on our knees and pray through to victory and know that the Lord will answer and many souls be saved. This we seem to not give much thought in the midst of our daily labor.

If we could only realize the effect that it would have if we would get in this attitude before God. The sick would be healed; the lame made to walk; the blind eyes made to see; the deaf ears made to hear, and the mighty works of God would be seen in our midst. All these many things we could be enjoying if we would consecrate our lives into His hands and let Him have His way; and this we can have if we will pray and seek His face more perfectly.

I am longing for a deeper walk with the Lord that my experience may be deepened in the Spirit of Him.

May the Lord help us to open our eyes and see what is going on around us; how the people are slipping through our fingers and going to hell, and we are going to be responsible. May the Lord help us to awake to the sense of our duty as never before.

REQUESTS

Please pray that the Lord will restore the joy of salvation to my soul that I once had. I once was a member of the Church of God but backslid, but now I want to get back to the Lord.—Ray Buchanna, Maryville, Tenn.

Please pray for my father who is a member of the Church of God and is saved and sanctified, that he may be healed of a cancer. He is trusting God with his body and believes that He will heal him.—Mrs. Icy Ingram, Winfield, Ala.

Please pray that my home will become the home of prayer. I am persecuted for trying to live the Christian life, and I ask that you remember me when you pray.—Dora McKnever.

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